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REP. FONTANA, 87th Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. **5814**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY ACCESS TELEVISION."

1 Strike section 8 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) No company or its affiliate, except for a company or affiliate owned by a municipal electric utility or a company which was providing community antenna television service on October 1, 2007, pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to general statutes that was granted a certificate to provide video service as a competitive video service provider prior to enactment of this section, or any of its affiliates, shall qualify, be certified or provide video service as a competitive video service provider in any area where it or an affiliate was providing service as a community antenna television company pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes on October 1, 2007.

(b) Any company or its affiliate, except for a company or affiliate owned by a municipal electric utility or a company which was providing community antenna television service on October 1, 2007,

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pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to general statutes that was granted a certificate to provide video service as a competitive video service provider prior to enactment of this section, or any of its affiliates, offering video service as a competitive video service provider in any area where it was providing service as a community antenna television company pursuant to said section 16-331 on October 1, 2007, shall be subject to sections 14 to 24, inclusive, of public act 07-253 in their entirety. A company or its affiliate which was providing community antenna television service on October 1, 2007, pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes that was granted a certificate to provide video service as a competitive video service provider prior to the enactment of this section, or any of its affiliates shall be subject to (1) community access programming and operations set forth in subsections (b) to (i), inclusive, and subsections (k), (l) and (n) of section 16-331a of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes and any regulations pursuant thereto, and subsection (c) of section 16-333 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes and any regulations pursuant thereto within any franchise area in which it was providing community antenna television service pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, and (2) section 17 of public act 07-253 within any franchise area in which it was providing community antenna television service pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, and (3) any state laws or regulations applicable to public service companies for any area in which it was providing community antenna television service as of October 1, 2007, pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes.

(c) No company or its affiliate shall qualify, be certified or hold a certificate of cable franchise authority in any franchise area of the state where it was providing community antenna television service pursuant to section 16-331 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes on October 1, 2007, unless a certified competitive video service provider or a municipal electric utility or its affiliate or subsidiary has been offering video service as defined in public act 07-253 to at least

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one customer in that franchise area for a period of thirty days except in a franchise area where a company or affiliate was a holder of a certificate of cable franchise authority as of April 1, 2008.

(d) Nothing in this section shall affect or otherwise limit or restrict the eligibility of a municipal electric utility, its affiliates or subsidiaries, to be certified as a competitive video service provider pursuant to section 16-331dd of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by this act."

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